

Racial Inequality in Britain: the Macpherson Report 20 years on

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The Diversity Genre:

Macpherson and the Cultural Industries

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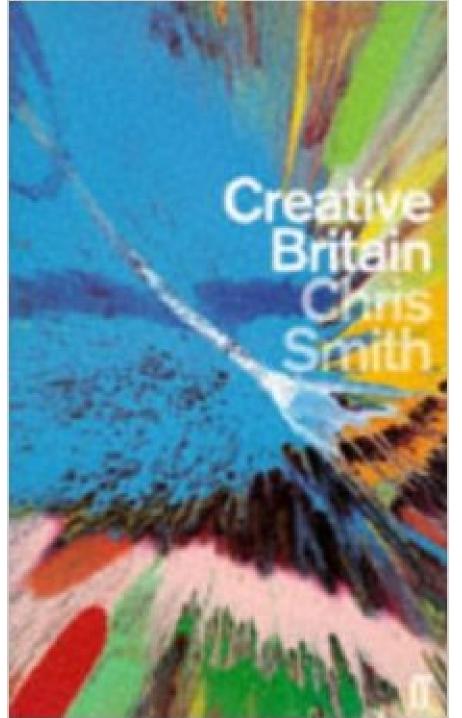


Race Relations Ammendment Act 2000

A statutory duty on public bodies to promote race equality, and to demonstrate that procedures to prevent race discrimination are effective

Equality Impact Assessments

Demonstrate that they are actively combating racism and promoting equality of opportunity and good race relations in all areas of their employment practices and service provision



"As a new Government, we have recognised the importance of this whole industrial sector that no one hitherto conceived of as "industry" (Smith, 1998: 26)

'Film can contribute to social cohesion by developing networks and understanding, and building local capacity for organisation and self determination' (Smith, 1998: 135).



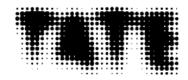






















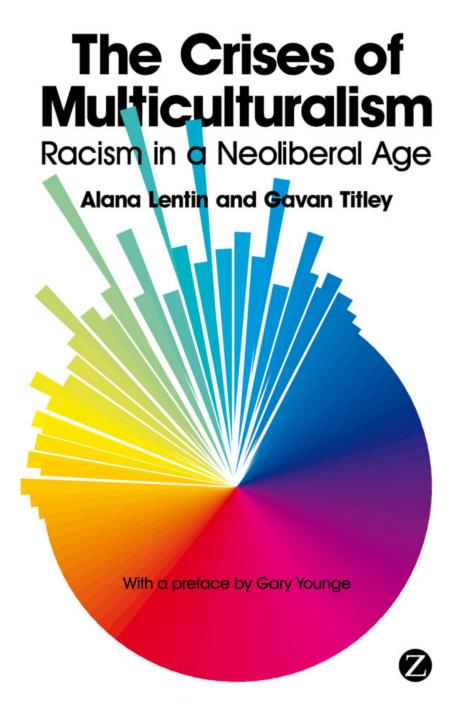




Cultural Diversity

'a surge of proactive responses in favour of cultural diversity in the arts and media (rather than, it should be noted, against racism)

(Malik: 2002:46).



Diversity

'allows culture and the celebration of difference to mask the structures of power associated with the production of class and ethnic inequality'

(Lentin & Titley: 2012:16).



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British Film Institute Gets Serious in Promoting Cultural Diversity

Diversity of UK television industry revealed

14 September 2017

- · Women, ethnic minorities and disabled people all under-represented by TV industry
- · Poor monitoring is widespread: many broadcasters unaware of staff make-up
- · Ofcom announces range of measures to help tackle under-representation

Lenny Henry says Ofcom is creating "fake diversity" by focusing on actors and not those behind the camera

Black journalists call on editors to improve diversity in newsrooms

Black Journalists Collective UK demands journalism that better serves all communities





BBC Films boss: Diversity increasingly on our agenda



London Film Festival to focus on promoting diversity

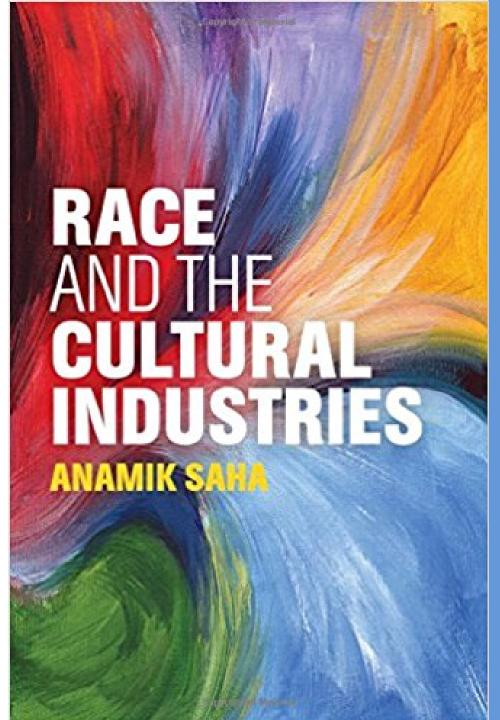


A > Culture > Art > Artists

Arts should do more to embrace diversity, says former Tate chief

BAME workers represent 4.4 per cent of the film sector workforce, and 7.5 per cent of the television workforce

CAMEo (2018) Workforce Diversity in the UK Screen Sector: Evidence Review, CAMEo Research Institute: Leicester.



"Diversity initiatives rather than failing actually serve an ideological function that sustains the institutional whiteness of the cultural industries even while they claim to do something more inclusive."

(Saha, 2018:88)

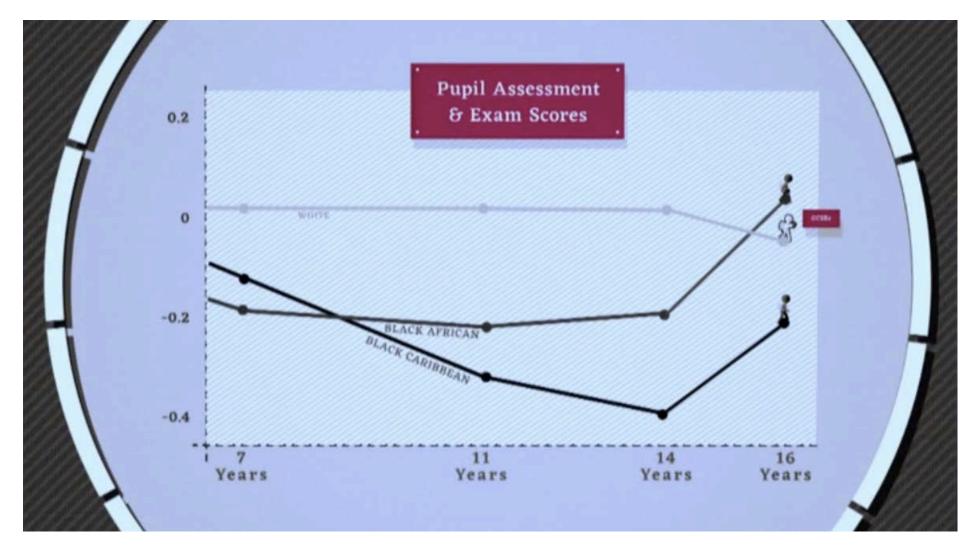


Has racial inequality changed since the Macpherson Report?

Dr Faiza Shaheen February 2019



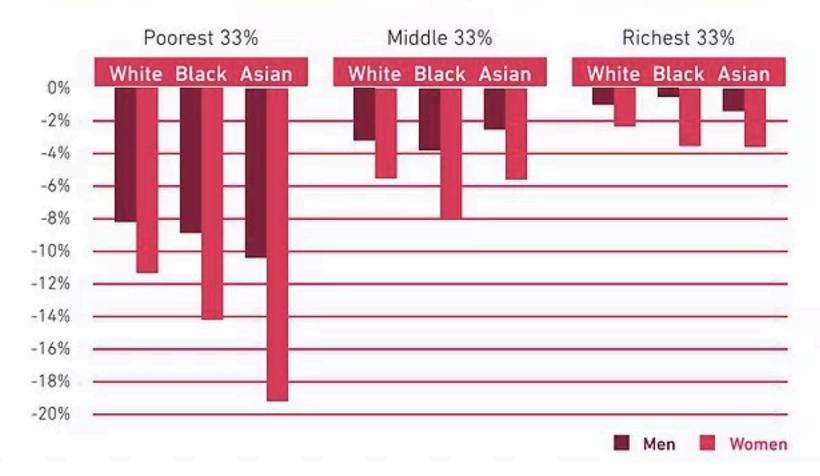
Prejudice





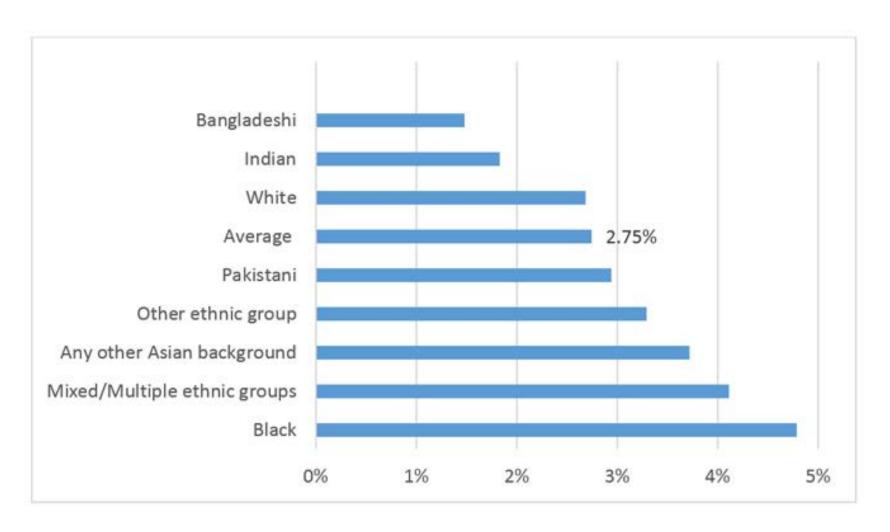
Policy

2010-20 cumulative individual impact of changes in taxes and benefits (percentage of net individual income per annum by 2020) by household income groups, gender and ethnicity (selected)





The Economy



Source: TUC, Insecure work and ethnicity, 2017



The role of power

